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FOR EB ENDERS AND EUR/RPE PREEG

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SUBJECT: IEA: BRIEFINGS ON PRODUCER/CONSUMER DEVELOPMENTS

1. WALLY HOPKINS CALLED ON US RECENTLY TO SUGGEST THE NEED TO KEEP LANTZKE AND HIM MORE SYSTEMATICALLY AND CURRENTLY INFORMED ON CONTACTS WITH PRODUCER COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY CONCERNING THE DIALOGUE. HE POINTED OUT THAT THE GERMAN DELEGATION IS KEEPING LANTZKE BRIEFED AND SUGGESTED A SIMILAR ARRANGEMENT WHEREBY THE MISSION WOULD BRIEF HIM ON A PERIODIC BASIS, TO THE EXTENT WE FELT WE WERE ABLE TO DO SO. HE, IN TURN, WOULD KEEP LANTZKE FILLED IN.

2. HOPKINS ALSO ASKED OUR VIEWS ON HIS IDEA THAT THE IEA SECRETARIAT MIGHT PREPARE, ON AN OCCASIONAL BASIS, A HIGHLY GENERALIZED ORAL OR WRITTEN REPORT ON DEVELOPMENTS IN PRODUCER-COUNTRY POSITIONS FOR DISTRIBUTION TO IEA MEMBERS.

3. WE INFORMED HOPKINS WE WOULD FORWARD HIS VIEWS TO WASHINGTON FOR CONSIDERATION. WE ALSO SAID THERE COULD BE PROBLEMS, HOWEVER, IF THE SECRETARIAT WERE TO PREPARE A SUMMARY REPORT ON THE STATUS OF THE P/C DIALOGUE WHICH MIGHT, IN FACT, BE BASED ON INFORMATION PROVIDED HIM BY THE MISSION ON A CONFIDENTIAL BASIS, CONFIDENTIAL

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UNLESS THE REPORT WERE CLEARED IN ADVANCE WITH US AND

WITH WASHINGTON.

4. NOTE: IF YOU AGREE WITH HOPKINS' PROPOSAL THAT HE
AND LANTZKE BE KEPT BRIEFED ON P/C DEVELOPMENTS, DEPART-
MENT WILL HAVE TO BE MORE SYSTEMATIC IN KEEPING US
INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENTS IN DIALOGUE, SUCH AS REPORTING
CABLES ON UNDER SECRETARY ROBINSON'S
TRIPS TO PRODUCER CAPITALS, WHICH DID NOT INCLUDE
MISSION AS ADDRESSEE.
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